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Ex parte SREEKANTH VOLETI, RAJASEKHAR VALLABHANENI and KAMAL RAJU VENKATESH MAILED

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Application No. 09/849,916

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on March 10, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below.

EXAMINER'S ANSWER

On November 18, 2005, an Examiner's Answer was mailed. A review of the Examiner's Answer reveals that it is not in compliance with the headings, specifically the

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identification of the References Relied Upon. See MPEP §1207.03 which states:

(8) Evidence Relied Upon.

A listing of evidence relied on (e.g., patents, publications, admitted prior art), and in the case of non-patent references, the relevant page or pages.

Appropriate correction is required.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner to:

- 1) vacate the Examiner's Answer mailed November 18, 2005;
- 2) generate a revised Examiner's Answer to include a listing of the evidence relied upon by the Examiner, as set forth under 37 CFR § 41.37, and
 - 3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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